the agreement of their own representa-

Over 12,000 Men Made Happy.

Company, Limited, to-day notifying the

workmen that the same wage scale that

was paid last year would continue during

1897. The scale affects from 12,000 to 15,000

tonnage men, day men and turn men. The

scale now in effect was made in 1895, and

on May 14 of that year a voluntary increase

of 10 per cent. was granted by the company.

This scale, with the bonus, was paid dur-

ing the remainder of the year and throughout 1896, in the face of unfavorable trade

conditions. The present state of the mar-

kte is anything but flattering and conse-

quently the continuance of the present

wages is received with favor by the men.

The company in its notice posted to-day says: "The present condition of the iron

and steel business does not warrant this

continuance of the payment of the bonus

but we hope that early in 1897 there will

come such improvement as to do so, and it is this hope which has led us to continue

Strike of Illinois Miners.

of the 4,000 miners employed in the coal

mines of St. Clair and Madison counties

have struck for higher wages. The mines

affected are the Humboldt, Doneck, Nicholl,

Staunton, Skellett, Yock, Belleville and

coal in the market there has been none in the payment of wages.

is untrue that our men struck on account of

a cut in wages. Our miners quit out of

AN AMERICAN PRINCESS FASCINA-

TED WITH A STROLLER.

Doings of a Woman Who Was Know

in Detroit as Miss Clara Ward-

Other Foreign News.

LONDON, Dec. 25 .- A dispatch to th

Daily Mail from Vienna reports that the

Princess of Chimay and Caraman, former-

ly Miss Clara Ward, of Detroit, whose hus-

band is suing her for divorce at Charleroi,

in Belgium, has arrived at Buda-Pesth with

the gypsy musician, Johann Rigo. The lat-

in the leading restaurants in Paris. The

play and invited him to her house, and

they finally eloped. He says he will marry

her when the divorce action has been

ended. The Buda-Pesth gypsies are organ-

Princess Von Wrede's Divorce Suit.

through the ceremony of a marriage with

audience. On the contrary, the courtroom

seeking warmth from the winter weather

Bataille, represented the prince, while M.

Clunel represented the princess. The argu-

ments turned on nice points of interna-

tional law. The princess was present yes-

terday, when the trial was adjourned until

Dec. 31. At that time the government rep-

resentative will give his opinion of the le-

Crackenthorpe's Body Found.

thorpe disappeared during the month

400 Young Turks Arrested.

Germans Fear Reprisals.

further reprisals; for example, the compul-

sory examination of all German wines, and

placing of serious obstacles in the way of

German Anarchists Arrested.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.-The Anarchist lead-

ers. Laneaur and Rosebereiss, and a num-

ber of others have been arrested, and

General Meredith Read III.

formerly United State minister to Greece,

University Gets \$10,000,000.

a fortune estimated at \$10,000,000 to

berty of the press in Uruguay.

LONDON, Dec. 25.-A Paris dispatch to

the Times says that M. Nobel bequeathed

Cable Notes.

province of Ekaterinostaff, Russia.

tails of the disaster have been received.

Succi, the Italian faster, who has given

exhibitions of his endurance in the United

door labor made a desperate attempt to es-

cape. One of them was shot dead and the

Stenitz won the twelfth game of chess

played at Moscow Wednesday against Las-

ker in thirty moves. It was a Ruy Lopez,

opened by Lasker. The present score: Las-

The new cable from Emden to Vigo has

first installment of a great transatlantic

cable intending to connect Germany with

A man named Simon was sentenced to

death in Paris yesterday after having been

convicted of the charge of setting fire to a lodging with the view of defrauding in-

surance companies and thereby causing the

Von Tausch, the commissioner of political

detectives, who became implicated by the

testimony in the trial of German journal-

ists for libeling the Foreign Office, will be

tried for lese majesty in addition to four-

ateur, was received yesterday as a mem-

dispatch from Berlin says that Major

completed. It is regarded as the

A decree has been issued restoring the

Many lives have been lost by the capsiz-

is seriously ill. He is suffering from bron-

PARIS, Dec. 24.-General Meredith Read,

the political movement referred to.

the importation of German sugar.

many houses have been searched.

chitis. He was born in 1837.

Stockholm University.

other two escaped.

ker. 7: Steinitz, 1; drawn, 4.

death of a man by burning.

PARIS. Dec. 24.-The report that the body

gal points raised.

The eminent counsel, M. Albert

American heiress, at Geneva, is not

izing a festival in honor of the event.

hold a conference at St. Louis.

further course to take.

MASCOUTAH, Ill., Dec. 24.-About half

its payment.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 24.-Notices were

Fair and warmer.

"T've hunted you, Sir Neckti PublioLibray 4407 You're on my Christmas tree. "Twas a maiden fair who took me," Said the tie. "A happy deed, For your hunt has been successful: Don't you see you have me treed?"

# A MERRY XMAS

To the Friends and Patrons of the WHEN.

# OPEN UNTIL NOON

For exchanges, refundment of money or the sale of belated Xmas gifts at

# The When

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WE BUY AND SELL

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6 per cent. Corporation Bonds, payable

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FOR GREATER NEW YORK

TO THE STATE COMMISSION.

How It Is Proposed to Govern the Big

City-Great Power Given

the Mayor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.-The draft of the

proposed charter of Greater New York, as

ubmitted to the commission, will be pub-

lished to-morrow. The legislative power is

to be vested in a Municipal Assembly to

consist of two houses-a lower house of 104

members, elected from senatorial districts,

and an upper house of thirty-seven mem-

bers, elected from council districts. All of

the members of both houses are to be

elected for the term of two years and all

are to retire at once. As to everything con-

cerning the rights, privileges and liberties

of the citizens respecting municipal rule

the legislative department is to be sub-

ject to no restraint. But in respect to pub-

lic improvements the action of the Munici-

pal Assembly is to be further subjected to

the concurrence of the Board of Estimate

and the mayor is to have power to appoint

all the administrative and executive officers

of the city except the controller, who is

rendered elective by the people every four

years, so that the treasury and finances

will constantly be in the hands of an in-

dependent department. The mayor is to

have supervisory control over the various

departments, and an enlarged veto power

on the acts of the Municipal Assembly. His

patronage and his power are so great that

he will in these particulars be a dignitary,

second only in importance to the Governor

of the State or the President of the United

States. The mayor is to be given absolute

power to relieve, at will, every administra-

tive officer, irrespective of the prescribed

terms of office, during the first six months

of his administration. After that he can

remove only on charges, with the approval

Where the powers of the administrative

department are largely discretionary, it is

proposed to have the departments presided

sioners. Where they are executive merely.

board is to be the Board of Public Improve-

ments, consisting of the heads of six newly-

street cleaning, of public buildings, light-

ing and supplies and the department of

bridges. This is the St. Louis system. The

police department will have four commis-

sioners, as now, and will include the Bu-

reau of Elections. The charities depart-

ment and the park department will be pre-

sided over by three commissioners each.

The law department, the fire department

and the department of correction will have

ingle heads. The building department may

Greater New York is to be divided into

Brooklyn, the Queen's and Richmond-and

a certain degree of home rule is to be

granted to the boroughs. There are to be

instead of three, as at present, and a sys-

tem for the equalization of the varying con-

ditions in the consolidated territory has

In the matter of education, the committee

of Education, representing the whole city,

which devolves on school boards appointed

by the mayor in every borough the educa-

The committee concluded not to deal with

municipal ownership, but says: "From an

original and ideal standpoint it is easy to

vast revenues by the ownership and

see that the city would become the recipient

operation of all franchises for lighting by

gas or electricity and for tramways and

other purposes necessary to the life and

business of a metropolitan community and

could any one well deny the right and

power of the people to embark in such

enterprises. In Greater New York, how-

ever, private capital, upon the faith of the

It would take a sum too vast to be hastily

computed to acquire the properties thus

vested in private persons by fair compensa-

THE COFFEE AND SUGAR WAR

More Stock of the Woolson Company

Parched by Havemeyer's Agent.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 24. - Havemeyer's

agent secured 640 shares of Woolson Spice

been adverse to the deal. The price paid

trust of \$1,905,000 for the 1,740 shares it has

secured. The Woolson company has been

one of the most remarkable dividend pay-

ing properties in this part of the country.

as it was organized in 1882 with \$52,000, and

not another penny has been added. Since

then it has paid \$910,000, making an annual

dividend of 25 per cent. The straight book

value of the stock when the trust laid

siege to it was \$1,725,000. Twelve new roast-

ers are being placed in position, which will

give the plant a capacity of 1,400,000 bags

Senator Allison Better.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Dec. 24.—For the first time in a month Senator Allison left his home to-day and took a short sleigh ride

bout the city. He expects to leave for Washington immediately after the holidays.

embarked largely in such franchises.

and avenues belonging to the people. Nor

tional conduct of the schools.

pted a plan which centralizes in a Board

physical conduct of the schools, and

boroughs-Manhattan, the Bronx, the

commissioners of taxes and assessment

created departments—the department of water supply, of highways, of sewers, of

By far the largest and most important

but one commissioner has been provided

of the Governor.

in gold, which we offer at par.

Correspondence solicited.

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# HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS Government, County, City, Town

One and One-Third Fare For the Round Trip.

Tickets to be sold to the public Dec. 24, 25 and I and Jan. 1. All good returning CAMPBELL, WILD & CO.

# Students' . . Holiday Rates

To students of seminaries, colleges and universities presenting certificates signed by the principal of the institution, tickets will be sold at the same rate available from the beginning of the vacation, with return limit of not later than Jan. 11.

These rates apply to all points in Central Passenger Committee territory, excepting the western termini of the Trunk-line Asso-H. M. BRONSON, A. G. P. A.

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# LAWLESS KENTUCKIANS

TOLIGATE RAIDERS CONTINUING THEIR WORK OF DESTRUCTION.

Arson Committed and Threats Lynching Made-Mob Rule Denounced by Judge Carroll.

LAWRENCEBURG, Ky., Dec. 24.-The work of the tollgate raiders last night was as complete as that three months ago. though they did not have as much material to work upon. At the Harrodsburg pike gate, where the tollhouse was burned. they threatened to blow up with dynamite the residence in which Thomas McMichael, the keeper, and his mother and sisters live, but desisted, luckily for some of the crowd, as Mr. McMichael awaited their coming to his door, with an ax and pistol. He had no shotgun, but was ready to go out and face the gang alone, if his mother had not prevented him by her peladings. Such action would have been suicide.

At the gate on the Fox creek pike, of which company Hon. R. H. Crossfield, former member of the Kentucky Legislature, is president, the gang chopped up pole and made preparations to burn house in which Paul Maryman and family reside. Such proceedings were only arrested by the old gentleman informing them of the sickness of his little child This, coupled with the fact that Mr. Maryman had only been at the gate a week caused the mob to show some mercy. They old him, however, that a further attempt to collect toll would result in his being cut to pieces. They took the rope and left word for President Crossfield that they would hang him with it if he restored any more poles. They did not molest the two gates on Frankfort pike, because the toll had not been collected at either. This morning Andrew Jackson went on duty at the first gate north of town, but will doubtless resign when he hears of the oth-

er outrages this morning During a talk this morning Judge Carroll, who is presiding at the Circuit Court here, said: "In discharging the grand jury last week I expressed the opinion that arson and murder would soon be added to the crimes already committed. Anderson county is disgraced, the law is disregarded and the mob is supreme. There will be neither safety for person or property in this community until the good men of the rganize a law and order commitch by reason of the character of personnel will dominate and educate opinion and will fearlessly seek, discover and bring to punishment these

# C. R. FAULKNER INJURED.

# Senator Voorbees's Private Secretary

Run Into by a Street Car.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.-Chester Faulkner, a well-known citizen of Indiana. was run into by a street car and seriously njured to-night. He was removed to Provsary to amputate his leg. The injured man is seventy-five years of age and his recov-ery is doubtful. Mr. Faulkner was private secretary to Senator Voorhees, and was in of the Maltby government building i

FIGHT BETWEEN THE THREE FRIENDS AND SPANISH SHIPS,

In Which the American Filibuster Is Said to Have Showed Her Teeth

CANNON

AND SHEAPNELS THROWN AT THE ENEMY WITH GOOD EFFECT.

Volleys from Rifles Also Fired at the Spanish Sailors When Their Vessel Got Within Range.

## COASTER DEFEATED

AND A GUNBOAT REPORTED TO HAVE ALSO BEEN DISABLED.

The Three Friends Chased Again After Landing Her Cargo-Seized on Arrival at Key West.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25 .- A special to the World from Key West, Fla., says: "The lone star flag of Cuba has met the red and yellow banner of Castile on the seas. The shrapnell, shell and rifle volleys of a brave filibuster have made answer to the roar of Spanish twelve-pounders and have gained for Cuba libre the first victory on the ocean. The filibustering steamer Three Friends sailed from Fernandina, Fla., Sunday night, Dec. 13, carrying a valuable cargo of munitions of war for the Cuban insurgents. Eluding the vigilance of United States war ships and revenue cutters, and dodging every sail upon the ocean, the little steamer with about fifty men was within hailing distance of Cuba on the sixth night out. Surprised, trapped and fired upon, she threw shot into a Spanish naval coaster, The Three Friends put in again to the coast and safely landed her cargo on the border of the great Zapata swamp.

Not before in Cuba's struggle for liberty

has the flag of Spain been fired upon at sea. No other filibuster, after having her guns and fuifilled her perilous mission. The account of this history-making trip is as follows: "As Cuba was neared about midnight last Saturday a two-pound shell buzzed and tore through our rigging, and five minutes later the naval duel was in progress. Early on the morning of Friday, extremity of Cuba, was rounded. ship headed southward. It was known that the battle ship Reina Mercedes, the cruiser Alfonso XIII and the coaster Dose de Maio were patrolling the Pinar del Rio south coast. The sealed orders from the New York Junto were opened an hour after the cape had been passed They gave no directions as to the course the vessel should take, its destination alone being mentioned. The orders of the Junto read: 'Sail to the mouth of the San Juan river and there await a party of insurgents.

attempt to land men or munitions at any other point.' CAUSED A SENSATION. "The orders caused a sensation. A consultation was held immediately in the cabin attended by Capt. John O'Brien, Navigation Captain Lewis, Maj. Perez Morales, commander of land expedition, and Lieutenant Calvo, a sea commissioner of same. Major Arnas was also called Nearly every officer aboard had warned the Junto that he would not attempt to land an expedition near the San Juan river. The steamer Merbuda had tried to land and had been fired on and driven away by a Spanish coaster, while the cargo of the Dauntless, after having been put ashore, was captured. But what was there to be done? The steamer had stolen away from the United States and had already covered three quarters of the distance to her ordered destination. She had weathered heavy storms and was stanch. Her crew was a picked one, and the soldiers aboard were brave and de-

who will take charge of the cargo. Do not

"'We'll land at the San Juan if we have to sail through hell to do it,' said Captain Lewis. 'Keep a good head on, but don't

Chief Engineer Dunn.' When fifty miles south of the cape the course was changed to north by northwest against a dead wind. When night fell we Eastern line. Saturday morning was clear and beautiful. The vessel was placed under a small head of steam and went easily in a calm sea. About the decks all was astir. Boxes of arms, cartridges and dynamite stored in the holds were carried on deck, and put in convenient positions for landing. Each man who was to land with the party had his personal effects hundled together and ready to be cast into the first boat. The Three Friends was several hours in making her way to the proper place to effect a landing When all was in readiness the coast seemed entirely clear.

"On the lower deck, amidships, the first boat's crew, armed with machetes and revolvers, stood ready to arm the large surf boat, which already swung over the side. bonne and Guiteras. Sharpshooter John Gorman and Privates Aurelio Arcano and Edgaro. Major Perez Moralez and Dr. Barfirst boat, stood at the gangway. Behind the first boat's party stood a dozen men line along the rail, to repel boarders. None volvers, which they carried in their belts. turned to their boxes for transfer ashore. On the prow, night glasses in hand, stood Captain Lewis, Major Arnas and Engineer Pagluchi. The remainder of the expedition gathered along the rails on the port side as the vessel steamed almost in the

shadow of the rocky cliffs. FIGHT WITH THE COASTER. When the filibuster was within four hundred yards of shore the engineer discovered a moving object in the darkness

under the lee and informed Captain Lewis that he saw a coaster. Without further ado the fillbuster turned quickly to starboard and pointed for the open sea. Few persons aboard had seen the Spaniard. Captain O'Brien, after allowing his ship to scamper three or four hundred yards, hove to, then backed toward the mouth of the San Juan. In a minute more the black shape of a forty-foot coaster was seen darting out in our direction. Away steamed the filibuster, and behind, emerging from the shadow along the shore, came the

"For a few minutes the exciting race continued, and then came a flash of light from the Spaniard. A second later came the crack of a two-pounder, and then there was the hiss of a shell a few rods to the starboard. Word was passed on the filibuster that all must fight. A few men broke open the rifle and cartridge boxes, and soon the entire party was armed, Sharpshooter Gorman gathered his riflemen along the stern rail upon the upper deck. Major Morales was in charge.

"Again came a flash from the coaster, and another solid shot splashed in the water, several rods nearer the vessel. Pursued and pursuer were each under steam, and smoke was pouring from their funnels, They were now about eight hundred yards apart. Then the Spaniards fired for the third time, the shot falling a few rods astern of us, but in a direct line. "'Use the Hotchkiss!' commanded Major

Morales. almost broadside to the coaster. The lat- to the steam-car lines. ter boomed for the fourth time, but the tling volley from the line of men on the upper deck

"The shrapnel shell fired from the Hotchkiss ended the fight, as the Spanfiring rockets sailed away. calling for assistance. The call assistance was promptly answered. while the filibuster was swinging into position to allow the Hotchkiss to play upon the enemy, a gunboat, double the size of the coaster, appeared on the port. opened fire with heavy guns, but did not have the range. Gunner Walsh rammed another shrapnel into the gun on the prow and vanked the lanyard. The shell flew straight for the gunboat and burst directly over her. It was answered by a still heavier thunder from the gunboat, returning shell for shell. The shot from the Spaniard disabled two of the landing boats of the fillbuster, but did no other damage, The Hotchkiss was again loaded with a shrapnel shell, and the next discharge struck the cruiser amidships. Then the Three Friends put on steam, leaving the war ship, possibly disabled, but at all events silent and defeated, out of sight, behind a point of land.

"As the cargo of th eThree Friends was being landed the Spanish coast patrol came up and a flerce fight ensued between them and the Cubans sent by General Gomez to escort the cargo into his camp. After two hours of fifthing the Spaniards were driven off and the cargo was landed and safely carried into the interior. The vessel then lay to for several days in a secluded cover and started for Florida last Monday. She was pursued by several gun boats as she entered the Windward pass and a ball from one of them tore a hole in her bulwarks. A barrel of oil on the furnace fires soon ran up the steam and the fast craft crept away. Emerging from the Keys, two cruisers were found waiting for her, and another race ensued. The Spanish vessels fire don her for half an hour Captain Lewis then ran in among the Keys, and, escaping from the Spanish war vessels, reached American waters, near Miami, Fla.

The Filibuster Seized. KEY WEST, Fla., Dec. 24.-The steamer Three Friends, Captain Lewis, arrived here this afternoon. The captain says the vessel is from Jacksonville and that she has been on a wrecking voyage along the reefs. The customs officials are in charge and there is really no doubt that the vessel has just returned from landing arms and ammunition in Cuba.

# SPANISH BUTCHERIES.

Weyler Exterminating Pacificos in

Pinnr Del Rio Province. KEY WEST, Fla., Dec. 24.-Passengers stated that he intended to make a desert of the Pinar del Rio section to starve General Rivere out. According to rumors he has begun his work. His guerrilla sight, to carry off or destroy all cattle or provisions of any kind and to lay waste the entire country, burning cornfields, houses, barns, etc. Fifteen pacificos have already been killed between Artomisa and the foothills, among them two women. The Cubans are infuriated at this savageness and have begun to show a spirit of retaliation by hanging all guerrillas captured, with a short trial. Weyler's arrival was opportune, it is stated, as his commanders in that section have been greatly worried over the various successes of the Cuban bands. Several attacks have been made on the trocha; in fact, that is now a daily occurwaste any coal,' was the word sent down to | rence, the Cubans being seemingly desirous of keeping their foes in a state of siege. It is stated that an entire pacifico family of five persons was destroyed Friday last by Captain Malguizese's band) when they to prevent the removal of their cattle. Melguizese, irritated at their resistence. shot three down in cold blood and then dragged them around until life was extinct. They were then cut loose and thrown into the house, to which fire was applied. Cubans swear to burn him alive if they ever capture him.

Several engagements are reported from the Santa Clara province with vanguards of Gomez's army, ...e Spaniards being defeated in nearly every case, though the public records claim a Spanish victory.

Butchered by Spaniards. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.-The Cuban Junto furnishes this information: "Through his overseer, the owner of a plantation in Cuba. resident in this city, learned yesterday of the killing of Antonio Diaz, owner of farm near Jaruco, twelve miles from Ha-Soldiers, both Cubans and Spaniards, were in the habit of calling at the farm. On Dec. 14 a party of Spanish guerrillas called macheted Diaz and his little boy. He previously called on the insurgent in command of the district and asked that he keep his soldiers away and no Cuban sol-Gers came afterwards. On the same day, Dec. 14, the same group of guerrillas killed a man named Manuel Granaos, a resident of the town of Casimaus and known to be loyal to Spain. He had, when killed, five hundred gold coins, which he was carrying

#### to pay debts. Was It a Spanish Plot?

PENSACOLA, Fla., Dec. 24.-At a late hour last night a watchman discovered fire in the oilroom inside of Fort Pickens, on Santa Rosa island, where all the ammunition and material for the new disappearing gun batteries that are nearly completed is stored. The oilroom was destroyed, and only by the united effort of the large force of men now working at night on the batteries was the fire kept from the magazine where twenty-seven tons of powder and large quantity of dynamite is stored. It is

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"Representatives of the employes stated that they would recommend action in accordance with its terms, and would notify

be closed for the night. "The first intimation that the West-end officials received of there being any trouble

was a notice from the car stations that the men were refusing to take out their cars this morning. This afternoon a part of came to Mr. Little and said that they had attempted to carry out their agreement in good faith. They stated, however, that "The West-end officials feel that they have done everything in their power to preess that a strike causes to all the people in Boston and suburbs. They were willing to calamity. They have never refused to sign the agreement presented by the union, but distinctly told the representatives of the men that the matter would be presented to

BOSTON STREET-CAR MEN QUIT WORK YESTERDAY MORNING.

And at 12:39 Christmas Morning Were Ordered to End the Tie-Up by Resuming Their Duties.

### MUCH INCONVENIENCE CAUSED

SUBURBANITES FORCED TO WALK AND SHOPPERS DELAYED.

Trouble Started by the Employes Refusing to Accept an Agreement Made by Their Committee.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. BOSTON, Dec. 25 .- "The Hub" was trouble yesterday. Some of the spokes that support it refused to perform their func-"Gunner Michael Walsh, who, with his tions, but the wheels of business managed erew, had stood by the twelve-pounder in to turn, though perhaps slower than usual. the bow, heard the command with joy and | People who were in a hurry either walked called out to Captain O'Brien to swing the or hired cabs-at least all who who lived ship around. In a minute the filibuster was | in the west-end suburbs and were not close |

The employes of the West-end Streetsmoke had not cleared away before the railway Company struck yesterday morn-Hotchkiss on our prow bellowed forth and ing, and by noon the main line and its sent a shrapnel shell btween the short many branches were tied up. As a consemasts of the coaster, squarely over her engines. The shell flid not burst, but the Spaniards seemed paralyzed with fear. Sev-

The strike began at 5 o'clock yesterday morning and lasted till 12:39 this (Christmas) morning. The strikers wanted their union recognized, and on Wednesday had determined to strike, but early Thursday morning their committee agreed to postpone the tie-up till Dec. 30. The agreement was unsatisfactory to many of the men, and they refused to take out their cars. At the close of the day both sides seemed determined to continue the struggle.

The situation last night was that the West-end road, the largest street-railway company in the world, whose tracks cover 295 miles, which has five thousand cars, more than three thousand of which are in daily use, and which gives employment to about 4,800 men, was at war with the Motormen's, Conductors' and Drivers' Union, an organization composed of over three thousand men, who declared that the strike would not be settled until the Vest-end consented to treat with them as a union. The truce agreed to by a committee of the union early this morning caused so much indignation that the men took matters into their own hands, as stated, and about daylight yesterday began the strike, which developed so rapidly that at noon General Manager Rugg acknowledged that the road was tied up. A little later the West-end road formally asked for police protection at

outlying carhouses. Just before 2 o'clock in the afternoon an attempt to run cars with nonunion men was made and there was no demonstration of any kind. Two members of the State Board of Arbitration talked over matters with President Young, of the union, who stated that there was nothing to arbitrate with the West-end company. The police officials expected the strike to be a long one and issucd orders for the entire police force to remain on call, the men being housed at the stations and fed at near-by restaurants.

During the afternoon cars were intermittently run on several lines, and all were naturally crowded so heavily that fare-taking by conductors was almost impossible. Holiday interests served to lessen the attention given to the trouble, especially as the steam railroads put on extra suburban trains. One phase of the strike was the strange appearance of the main thoroughfares, usually almost blocked with traffic, by the entire absence of cars. To offset this the sidewalks were literally jammed with people.

The early evening saw an increased number of cars on the South Boston and Cambridge divisions, due probably to the impressing into service of inspectors, forecompany. On these two lines there was little evidence of a serious strike. Affairs | the men made prisoners were obtained from reports from Weyler and commenting on when the strike was declared off. This ac- to divulge the name of their associates in his actions so far. He is reported to have tion came like a bombshell at 12:39 this morning. But it remains to be seen, when daylight comes, if this second action of the Supreme Council will be keeded. Following is the statement made by the Supreme bands have orders to shoot all pacificos at | Council to the public, explaining its po-

"To the Public-The Supreme Council was given power to negotiate for an agreement with the management of the West End road. The council performed its duty, and in doing so found the president lacking in authority to make any settlement without consulting with his board of directors. He asked for further time, which was granted. The men repudiated this act, and we, as honorable men, have had to do one of two things-sanction the repudiation of the men, and thus violate our agreement with the president, or refuse to be a silent party to a continuance of the strike. We chose the latter and would keep our agreement with President Little as gentlemen at all hazards. THE COMPANY'S STATEMENT.

The West-end company yesterday afternoon issued a notice to its employes stating that those who voluntarily absented themselves from their duties would be considered as having withdrawn from the service of the company. The company has issued a statement which gives a history of the strike from President Little's point of view. In opening mention is made of conferences between the union and the officers of the road and of a letter setting forth that President Little had no authority to sign the 1897 agreement with the employes, except by vote of the directors. The state-

Little by 10 o'clock what action was When 10 o'clock came they telehoned for delay. A little before 12 o'clock wo members of the committee returned and reported that a majority of the full committee had agreed to in no way interfere with the running of the cars, and that the matter should remain in abeyance until Dec. 30, pending the decision of the Westend directors. The matter was supposed to

West-end directors if they would only Count Ferdinand de Lesseps. He summed

"The managers of the West-end Railway recognize and are not in the least unmind-

#### present strike is occasioning, but they fail to see how they are in any way to blame for the present situation. They dealt with a properly authorized committee and made a fair and square agreement with them as

representing the employes. The agreement was immediately repudiated by the men themselves, and a general tie-up ensued. It PRESIDENT CLEVELAND NOT CONis not the West-end officials who refused to precognize the representatives of the union, but the employes of the road, who repudiate TENT WITH PAST ACHIEVEMENTS.

He Hopes Before Quitting Office to Effect a Treaty with Spain That posted in all the mills of the Carnegie Steel Will Insure Peace in Cuba.

FOR PORTO RICO

HOME-RULE ACT TO BE SIGNED BY THE QUEEN REGENT TO-DAY.

Draper and Proctor on Recognition

of Cubans-Effort to Save an Imprisoned American Correspondent.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.- President Cleveland is talkative and good-natured, and visitors from the outside who call on him report that he is more loquacious than they have ever known him to be. He is full of Cuba these days, and to a number Glencarbon. The men claim they have been working half time and not making living of people he has been expressing the hope wages. They also claim that while there and expectation that peace will speedily has been a strong advance in prices for be restored on the island through the medium of diplomatic negotiations now in progress under direction of Secretary Ol-A. U. Moorhead, general manager of the Madison Coal Company, said to-day: "It ney. Mr. Olney is bending his energies to the completion of the new treaty between conference the miners will decide what Only the general outline of this treaty is known, but it can be stated on very reliable authority that the agreement will enable the insurgents and the Spaniards to come together on honorable terms and dignified and common grounds, insuring permanent peace and quiet and establishing trade relations between Cuba and this country advantageous to both. The Madrid government has declared repeatedly that autonomy would not be granted Cuba. but the basis of the new treaty comes very close to that. The Cubans are to be granted large rights in the natter of local selfgovernment and guaranteed freedom from oppressive exactions and tyrannies. The United States will occupy the position of a strong neighbor, kindly spirited, but determined that both parties to the agreement shall carry out every provision therein in good faith. The Cubans and the Spanish leaders are quite willing that this country should assume the attitude of a friendly big brothership. The substantial element of the Cuban population has been ter says that his band had played nightly longing for a restoration of quiet that they might begin the upbuilding of pros-Princess became enamored on hearing him trated interest in the island. The whites have been gradually withdrawing from fellowship with the colored and mixed-blood insurgents for some time past, and there is little doubt that the main provisions of the new treaty will meet the entire approbation and concurrence of a large ma-PARIS, Dec. 25.-The trial of the divorce jority of the intelligent classes in Cuba. case of the Princess Von Wrede, who The guerrillas and bandits in the eastern charges her husband with having gone

> but it would seem that complete peace on the island is not far distant. President Cleveland and Mr. Olney are very anxious to consummate this treaty and see it carried into effect before they go out of office. The President would like to round out his career by this diplomatic achievement, hoping that in the light of such a signal triumph, following, as it does, the alleged Venezuelan success, the bad break with which he started in his second term in the Hawaiian matter will be forgotten. Hawaii has been the sore spot in his administration, and he would

> part of the island may hold out for a time

and continue in a state of insurrection.

of Hubert Crackenthorpe, the author, had like to have it put away out of sight. been found in the river Seine, is confirmed. A misconstruction put upon the remark The body was almost unrecognizable and made by Mr. Cleveland to-day to a Chihad apparently been in the water for about cago delegation was the origin of a wild six weeks. There were no signs of viorumer sent over the country that a new lence about the remains. Mr. Crackenand desperate crisis had occurred in Cu-October and foul play was suspected. It is now supposed he either fell into the river or committed suicide. ban affairs. The visitors called on the President to ask him to have his administration represented at the Jackson birthday banquet in Chicago, and Mr. Olney's name came up for discussion as a very desirable speaker for that occasion. The President said that he would be glad if number of prisoners to 400. The names of Mr. Olney could fine time to go, but remarked that he was very much engrossed persons formerly arrested. The latter were tortured in prison in order to compel them half hour thereafter Wall street had it that war was about to be declared. It down and locate it as utterly without LONDON, Dec. 25 .- The Standard's Berfoundation in fact. It was the new treaty lin correspondent remarks, on the apprewith Spain that is engrossing Mr. Olney's pension of German merchants, that the irattention, and the whole drift of the neritation in America at Germany's prohibition of American meat, etc., will result in gotiations is pacific

#### Christmas Gift to Porto Rico. Associated Press Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.-Another important step toward the plan of home rule for Cuba has been taken by the Spanish authorities. The former plan, proposed, but not executed, some months ago, provided for a Cuban congress of thirty members, of whom the Queen Regent was to name fifteen and the people of Cuba were to elect fifteen. It is now proposed to de away with that part providing for the naming of members by the Queen Regent. so that the entire Cuban congress will be elected by the Cuban people. This, and the entire control given to Cuba in making the tariff laws of the island, will constitute the essential features of the new plan of home rule. That giving the people the election of the entire congress is felt to carry out in spirit as well as in letter the idea of home rule. Thus far only the general naing of a ferryboat on the river Dnieper, in ture of the proposed changes have been made known to officials in Washington and the draft of the revised plan of reforms has not been received, nor is it likely to States, became insane Wednesday night be completed until after the completion of after a performance in Paris and was taken the Porto Rico reforms, which will b signed by the Queen Regent to-morrow as Three English convicts while returning resterday to Dartmoor Prison from out-Under the Spanish system it will be nec-

essary to submit the foregoing changes to the Cortes, which is not now in and not likely to meet before February. The Christmas day reforms for Porto Rico are closely allled with those for Cuba, being the second section of the same law, They give Porto Rico a congress, the provinces of San Juan and Ponce alternating every two years in choosing members for a term of four years. The congress given control of the whole island, publi works, telegraph, postoffice, railways and migration and colonization, public instruction, charities, the health department, etc. represented by a captain general, who wit delegate of the minister of the colonie The foregoing was the plan approved by the Cortes, but, as in the case of Cuba, it is believed the plans will be enlarged so as to make the congress wholly representative of the people of the island. The defi nite action of the Queen in signing the Porto Rico reforms to-morrow is believed to be the prelude to similar action

Advice Given by the Powers. LONDON, Dec. 25.-The correspondent of

ber of the French Academy, and proced an eloquent tribute to the memory the Standard at Madrid says: "All rumors of his predecessor in the academy, the late of the acceptance of the United States up the great Frenc's engineer's character as being imprudent and rash, but as havmediation (in Cuba) are premature yet, but it is undeniable that the Spanish people ing devoted his life to noble and peaceful growing less refractory to the idea of